

Wentlings

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David Zimmerman
"Jimmy"
"49"

Don MacLean
"Mac"

Sally Smith

Dan Freeby
"Monte"

THEATRE PROGRAM

Red Thomas
LOVER

~~Vic Porter Kristine
Max Gilpin Striker~~

"Norm" Stingely

Dave MacLean

"come"
Ralph Smith
"Skyler"

"Lou Metzger"

"SIPCO"
SAM BOGNER
"CIEM"

Wanda
Brunnengruff

"Bobbie Lou" Helm

Max F. Andre
"Andy"

Joanne Carter
Jim Hurd
"49"

WILLIE BROCK
"BLOW BOY"

MERLIN LISTER
"MERT" "49"

Jean Leath

Nancy Knick

Dorothy Versch

"Marilyn Garner"

"Alice Hawkins"
#

"CARL SMITLEY"
PERFORMER
DOYLE LIDY
"JAZZY"

Margaret Bauer
"Barb-w-re-Barb"

"Roger Borne"

Barbara Anspaugh
Paul Busse "Barb-w-re-Barb"

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"Shen"

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"Modeste"
Loral Quirk

Pat Springer
"Smoky"

Bob Krueckeberg

William H. Hucker

Robert E. Smith
"Cow puncher"
"Wife"

Kenny Grant
"Charlie"

Norma Johnson
"Joan Mowbray"
"Joan"

"Bonnie Langston"

Sheldon Daniels
(DEED)

Dick McConnell
"Shorty"

Richard B. Ode
"Pickles"

Jean Lichtenstiger

Jim Callow

Byford Smith

Eileen Biedrich

Phyllis Lough
"Lillie"
"J.R.K."

Bill Bechtel

Mary Catherine Schafen
"Cathie"

"Wilmer Grove"
"Lillie"
"Lillie"

Robert H. Lehman
"Bob"

Leona Thieme
"Barb" Dauter

Eleana Gaby

Bob Hansel
"Senator"

Gene Benesh
"Petro"

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"Shorty"

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All the world's a stage,
And all the men and women merely players:
They have their exits and their entrances;
And one man in his time plays many parts,
His acts being seven ages.

Shakespeare



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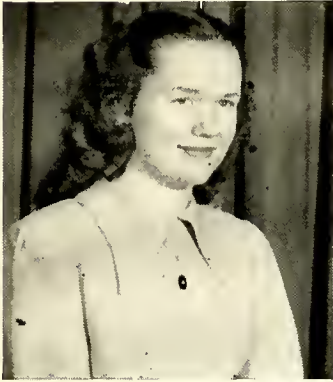
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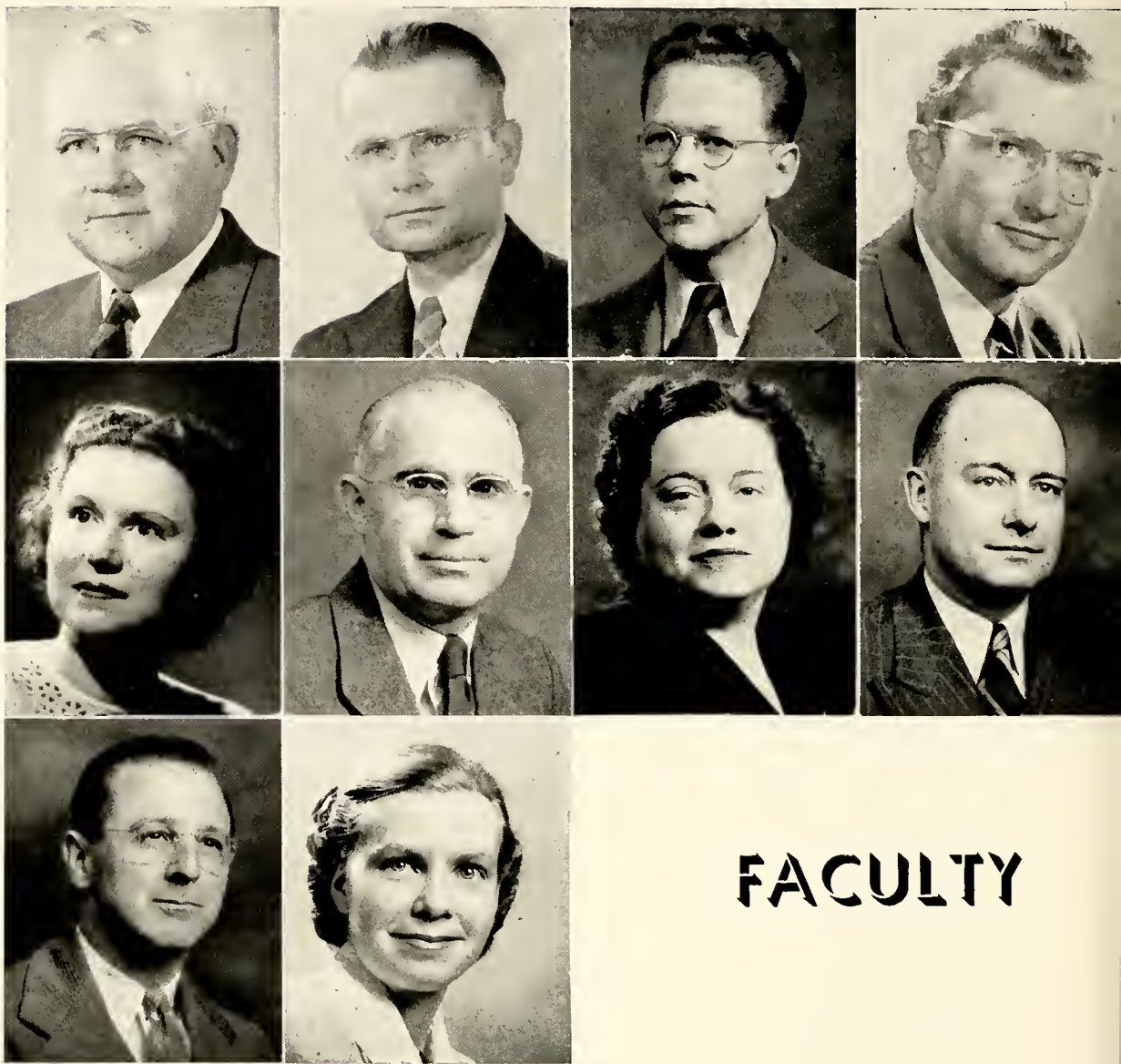
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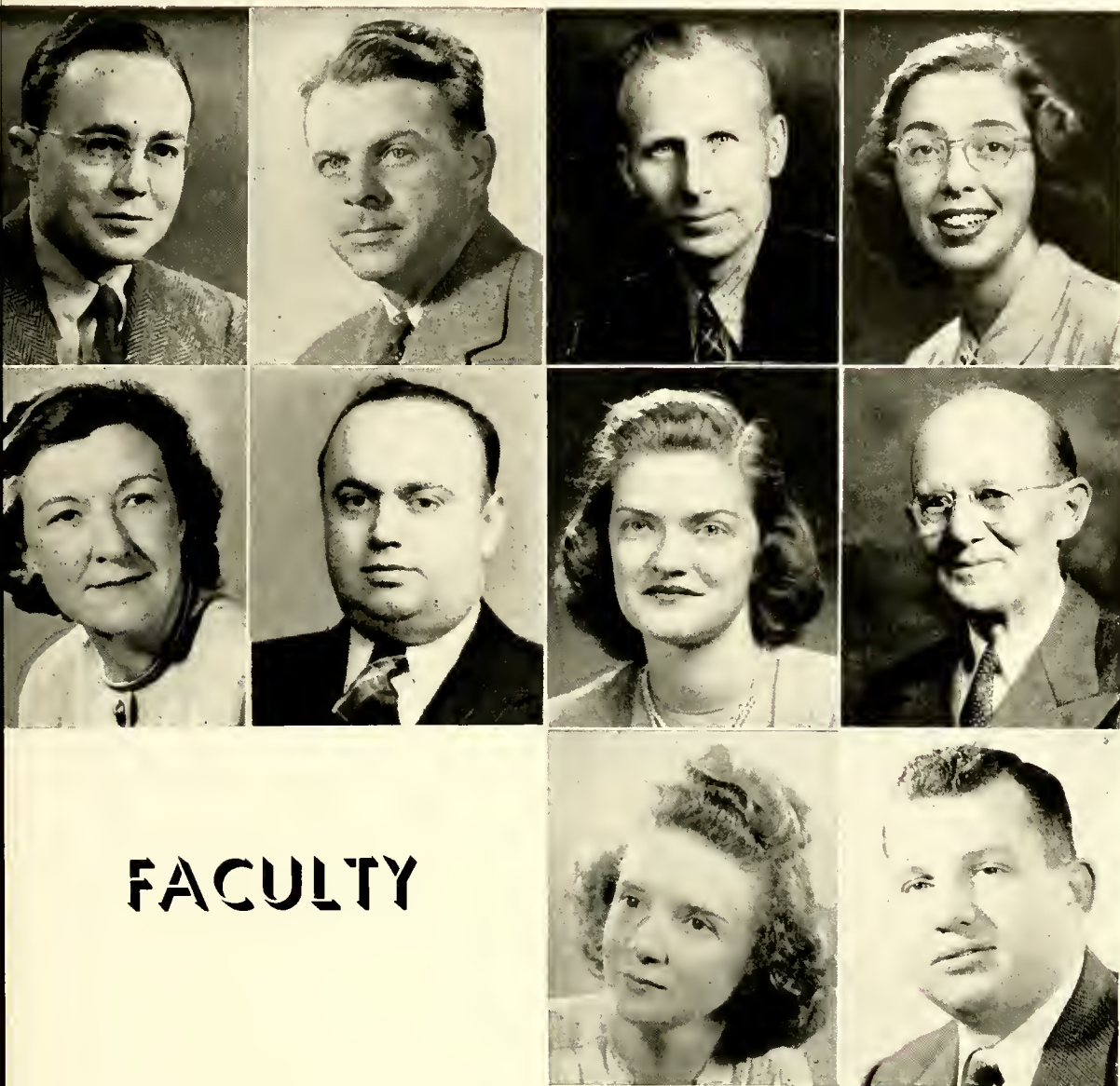


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Top Row: W. Guy Brown, Merritt Alger, Hugh Andrews, Arnold Conrad.

Second Row: Helen Haubold, Maynard Hetrick, Kathryn Kauffman, Amos Ketchum.

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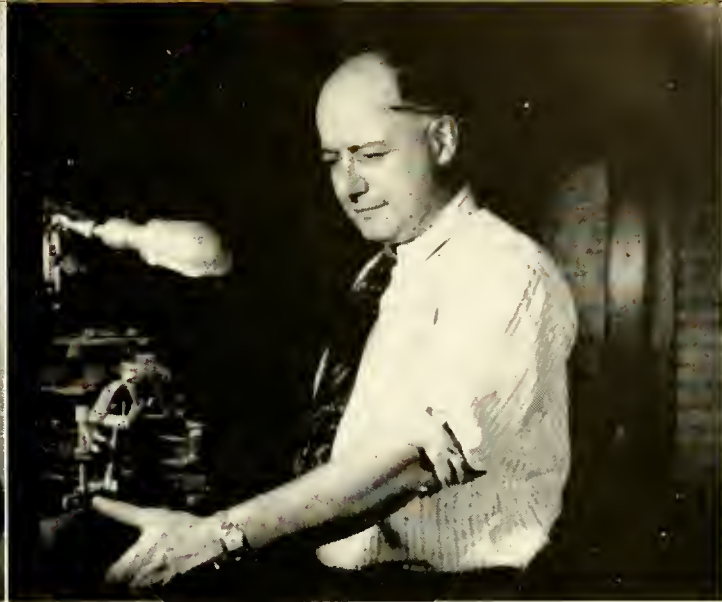
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Top Row: Harry Dailey, Deane Dorwin, Sylvester Everhart, Mrs. Joan Lueras.

Second Row: Eleanor Pumphrey, Dale W. Ross, Mrs. Marjorie Lust, Albert Sellemeyer.

Third Row: Catherine Weidler, Robert Worthman.





Top Left: Mr. Alger.

Mr. Alger is our faithful ticket salesman at our athletic contests.

Top Right: Mr. Ketchum.

Down in the shop, Mr. Ketchum operates one of his machines.

Opposite Page—First Row: Mr. Brown.

Mr. Brown is always glad to assist his students.

Miss Haubold

Miss Haubold is trying to decide which record to play next.

Second Row:

Mr. Worthman

You can look at this picture and almost hear Coach Worthman encouraging his team.

Mr. Sellemeyer

Mr. Sellemeyer instructing one of his many students.

Third Row:

Miss Walters

Miss Walters is grading one of her difficult tests.

Miss Kauffman

Our able artist is Miss Kauffman who teaches many students to draw.

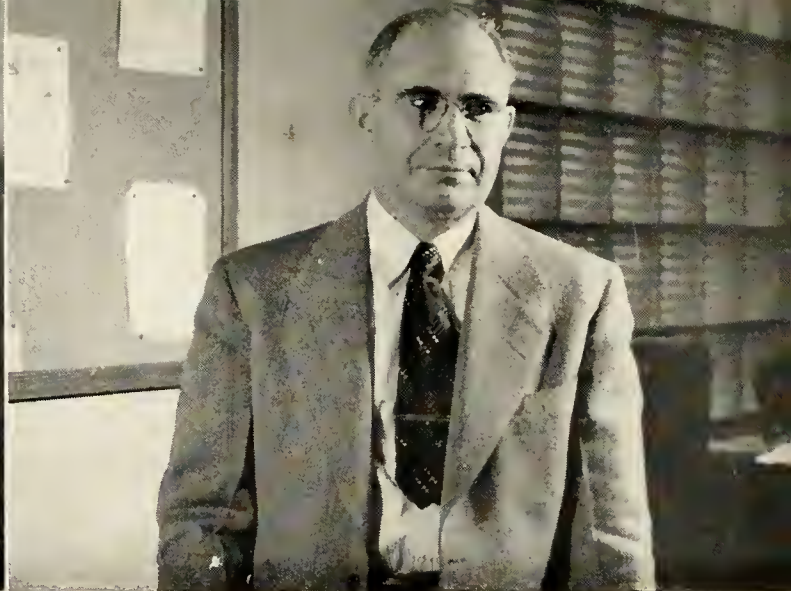
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Mr. Smith

Mr. Smith uses two dictionaries when writing poems.

Miss Pumphrey

Miss Pumphrey has a never ending job of checking book lists.



Top Left: Mrs. Lueras
Mrs. Lueras inspecting some of her curios from Mexico.

Top Right: Mr. Hetrick
Mr. Hetrick observing his future typists.

Opposite Page—First Row: Top Left: Mr. Dorwin
Is Mr. Dorwin listening to a ball game or the Lone Ranger?

Top Right: Mr. Andrews
Mr. Andrews explaining a difficult problem to the solid geometry class.

Second Row: Mr. Ross
Mr. Ross gives his advice about the 1949 "Ravelings."

Miss Weidler
Miss Weidler preparing an English test.

Third Row: Mr. Dailey
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Mr. Conrad
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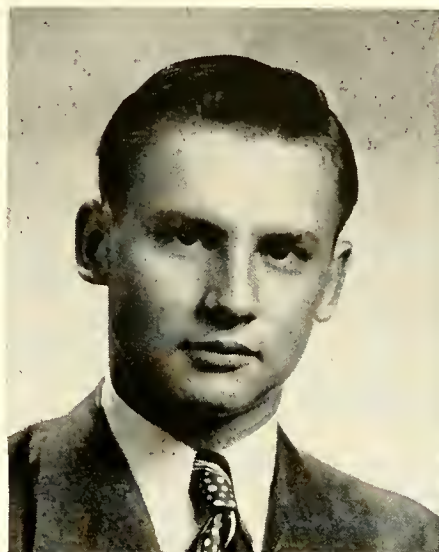




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Upper Right: Robert Hansel who relinquished the presidency of the senior class upon reappointment as a Congressional Page.

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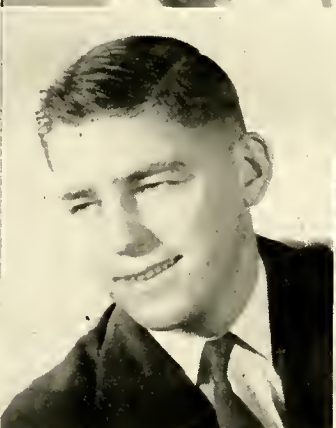
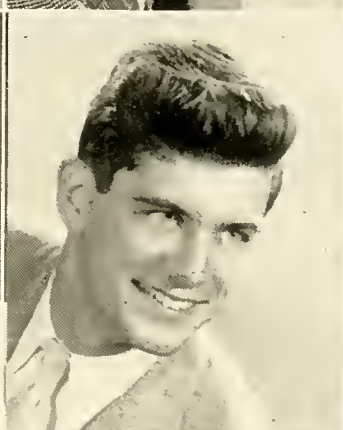
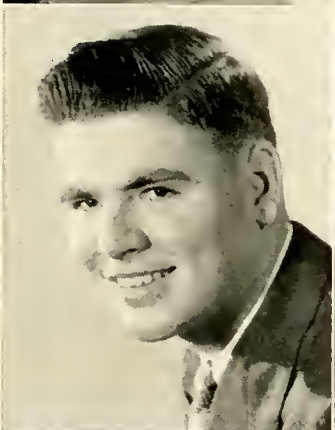
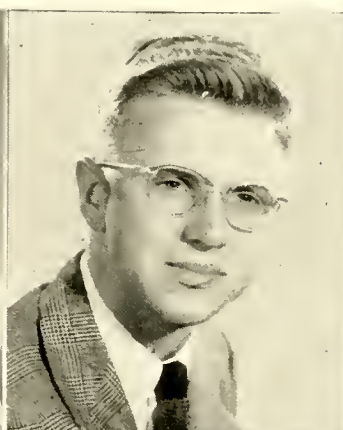


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STINGELY, NORMAN; Track, 47-48-49, Cross Country, 47-48-49, Fresh. Soph. Chorus 46-47, Freshman Basketball 46, Intramural Basketball 47-48-49, Musical Revue, 46-47, Christmas Play 48, High School Choir 48-49, Secretary of High School Choir 49, Howling Hosts 46-47-48-49, Operetta, 48-49.

STRIKER, KRISTINE; Fresh. Soph. Chorus 46-47, Class Secretary 47, Pep Champs 46-47-48-49, Band 46-47-48-49, Drum Corps 47-48-49, Scholastic Letter 46-47-48-49, Musical Revue 46-47, Operetta 48-49, Color Wheel Club 48-49, President, Color Wheel Club 48, High School Choir 48-49, Choir Vice-President 49, All District Chorus 49, Senior Ensemble 49, Ravelings Staff 48-49, Girls' Basketball 46-47-48-49, Christmas Play 49.

STULTS, ROBERT, E.; Howling Hosts, 46-47-48-49, Intramural Basketball 47-48-49, Fresh. Soph. Chorus 47, Football 47-48, Spring Revue 47, Christmas Play 47, Commercial Club, 49.

THIEME, LEONA; Commercial Club, 48-49, Color Wheel Club, 48-49, High School Choir 49, Spring Revue 49.

THOMAS, NEIL; Sec. of Class 46, Treas. of Class 49, Howling Hosts 46-49, Fresh. Soph. Chorus 46, Glee Club 49, Spring Revue 46, Operetta 49, Senior Ensemble 49, All District Chorus 49, Baseball 46-48, Football 46-49, Basketball 49, Captain of Baseball Team 49, Mankato High School 47-48.

TROUTNER, LOIS ANN; Soph. Chorus 47, Musical Revue 47, Commercial Club 48-49, Color Wheel Club 49, Pep Champs 48, Christmas Play 49, Glee Club 49, Operetta 49.

VON GUNTEN, JOAN; Fresh. Soph. Chorus 46-47, Musical Revue 46-47, Operetta 48-49, High School Choir 48-49, Girls' Glee Club 48-49, Yell Leader 47, Color Wheel 49, Commercial Club 49, Vice-Pres. Pep Champs 48, Pep Champs 46-47-48-49, Girls' Athletics 46-47-48-49, Christmas Program 46-47-48-49, Gabfest Staff 46-48, Triple Quartette 48, Senior Ensemble 49.

WEFEL, DONALD; Football 46-47-48-49, Baseball 47-48-49, Basketball 46-47, Track 46, Intramural Basketball 48-49, Howling Hosts 46-47-48-49, Christmas Program 46-47-48-49, Freshman Soph. Chorus 46-47, Boys' Glee Club 48-49, High School Choir 48-49, Spring Revue 46-47, Operetta 48-49, Art Club 49, Commercial Club 49.

WELKER, DOROTHY JEAN; Home Ec. Club 46, Commercial Club 48-49, Pep Champs 49, Color Wheel Club 49, Christmas Play 49, Operetta 49, Glee Club 49.

ZIMMERMAN, DAVID; Berne High School 46-47, Intramural Basketball 46-47, Boys' Glee Club 47, High School Choir 48-49, Band 46-47, Christmas Play 48-49, Operetta 48-49, Howling Hosts 48-49, Interclass Track Meet 49.



UNDER CLASSES



UNDER CLASSMEN

JUNIORS

Class Officers: Left to right:
Dick Hott, Treas.; Roger
Johnson V. Pres.; Dick John-
son, Sec.; Jerry Gehrig, Pres.

1st Row: Jim Ahr.

2nd Row: James Bassett.

3rd Row: Carolyn Sue Baughn.

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Bowman, Norma Brown,
Jane Ann Brumley.

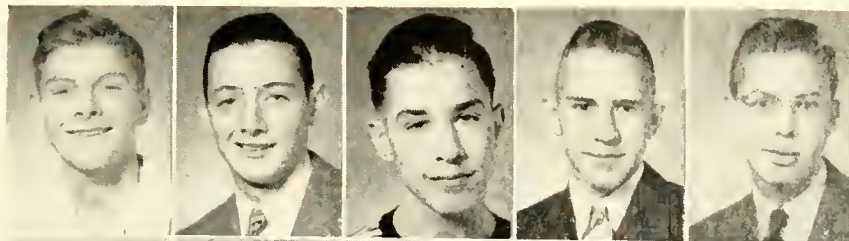
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Clarence Cottrell, Herman
Davis.

6th Row: Arlene Ruth Dersch,
Joan Dixon, John E. Doan,
Leonard Egly, Pat Evans.

7th Row: Eloise Feasel, Alice
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Garner, Tom Gaunt.

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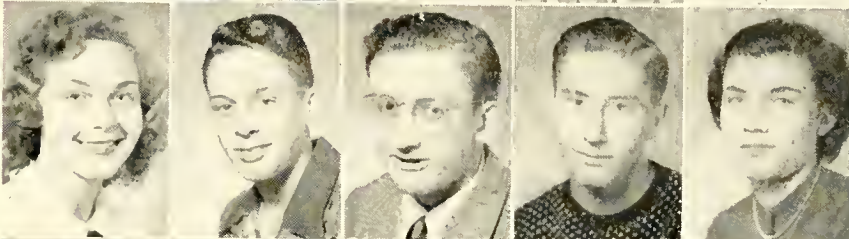
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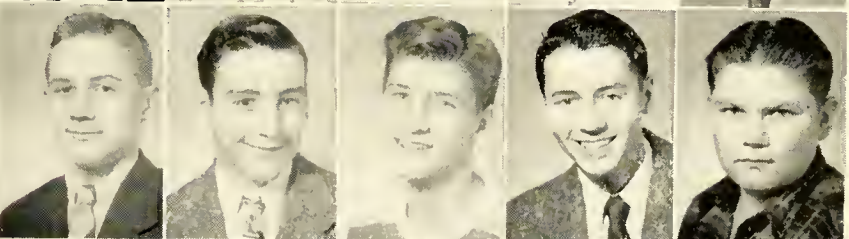
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6th Row: Janet Ruck, Kaye Runyon, Barbara Sauer, Rosemary Schwartz, David Sheets.



7th Row: Don Smith, Kenneth Strahm, Robert Strickler, Marvin Stucky, Edmund Thieme.



8th Row: Olga Thieme, Gene Ziner, John Thompson, Marilyn Vanhorn, Wauneta Zimmerman, Richard Werling.





SOPHOMORES

Class Officers: Top: Roger Fruchte, Pres.; Dianne Linn, Sec.; Bottom: Lester Sautbaine, V. Pres.; Sam Gilbert, Treas.

1st Row: Rita Agler, Sally Ahr, Leah Andrews.

2nd Row: George Bair, Jane Barber, Jean Barbara.

3rd Row: Harold Bohnke, Esther Bleeke, Ralph Bollinger, Robert Brennan, Saralyn Su Braden.

4th Row: Zelna Brunner, Ralph Busse, Bennie Butler, Grace Call, Nancy Callow.

5th Row: Arthur Daniels, Ann Deitsch, Bob Doan, Gloria Duff, John Frank.

6th Row: Roger Fruchte, Harriet Gerber, Sam Gilbert, Robert Gray, Margaret Harris.

7th Row: Myona Hicks, Marjorielu Hill, Marilyn Hoblet, James Houser, James Johnson.

8th Row: Palmer Johnson, Merlin Johnston, Curtis Jones, Emil Kiefer, Donna Kirchenbauer.

9th Row: Doris Krueckeberg, Jim Lake, Bob Lane, Norbert Lee, Betty Lehrman.

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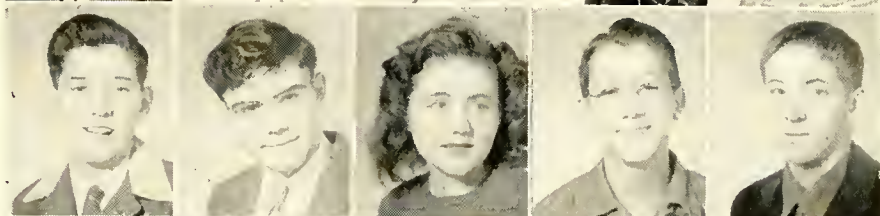
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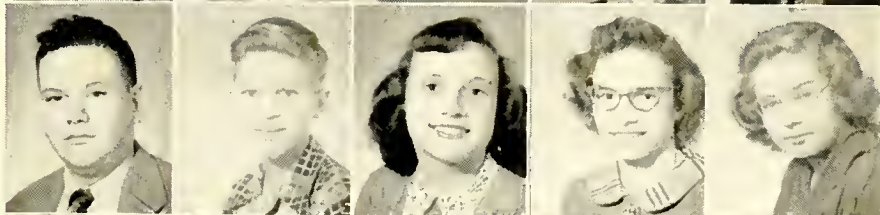
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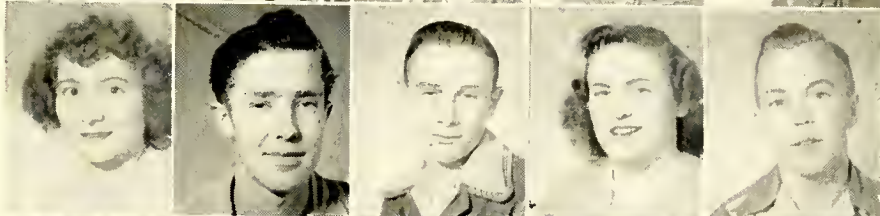
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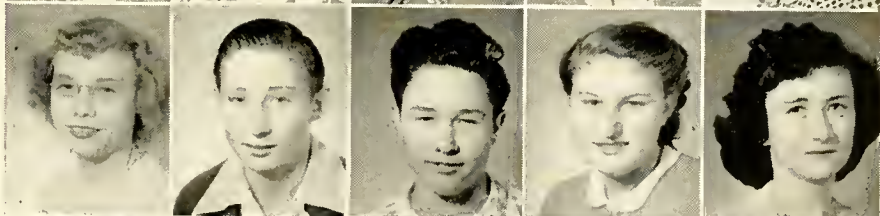
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7th Row: Dwight Sheets, Leo Sheets, Iona Luella Smitley, Edgar Glenn Swager, Deloris Thieme.



8th Row: Irene Thieme, Leroy Walters, Norman Ward, Wauneta Weldy, Lois Werling.



9th Row: Agnes Werst, Lois White, Phyllis Whittenbarger, Richard Winteregg.



FRESHMEN

Class Officers: Left to right:
Kenneth Everett, Pres.; Judy
Myers, Sec.; Bonnie Simons,
Treas.; Allan Grote, V. Pres.

1st Row: Alice Addy.

2nd Row: Bonnie Ailerson,
Caroline Alger.

3rd Row: Betty Anderson, Nor-
man Andrews.

4th Row: Ronnie Bassett, Bill
Bell, David Blackburn, Su-
san Bowman, Ray Brown.

5th Row: John Brunner, Rheta
Butcher, Thomas Butler,
Jack Chilcote, Roger Cole.

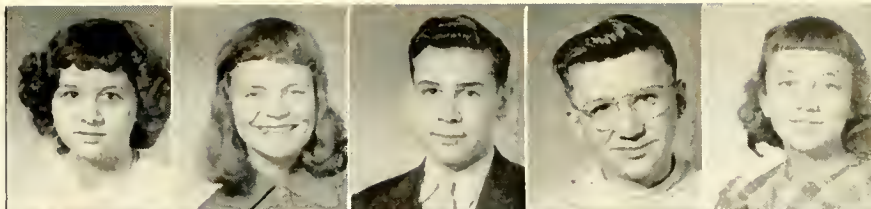
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ald DeArmond, Delores De-
lauter.

7th Row: Shirley Drake, Doris
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Kenneth Everett, Ervin
Ewell.

8th Row: Eleanora Fisher,
Donald Foor, Marilyn Fuel-
ling, Elnora Gaunt, Patricia
Gause.

9th Row: Edgar Gilbert, Dan-
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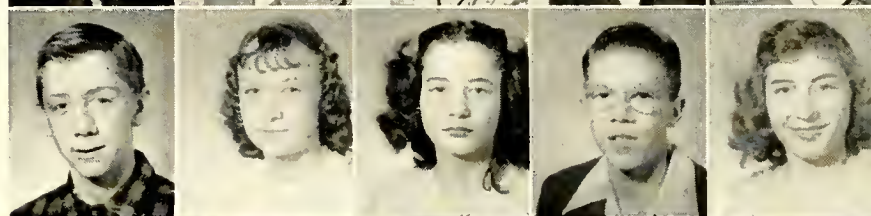
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Johnson, Carol Klusman,
Virginia Koenig, Jerry Kol-
ter.



3rd Row: Edwin Krueckeberg,
Jerry Lister, Mary Martinas,
Marilyn Mauller, Don Metz-
ger.



4th Row: Max Myers, Nira
Miller, Winana Miller,
James Moses, Lois Moyer.



5th Row: Judy Myers, Lester
Myers, Margie McGill, James
Nelson, Robert Nelson.



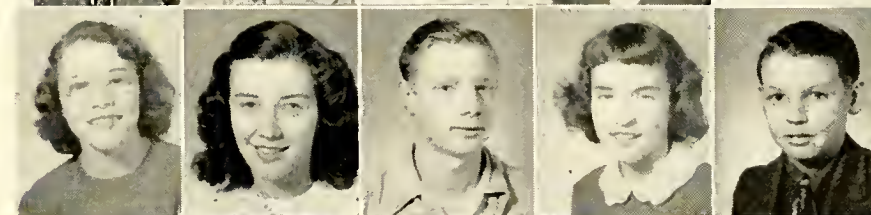
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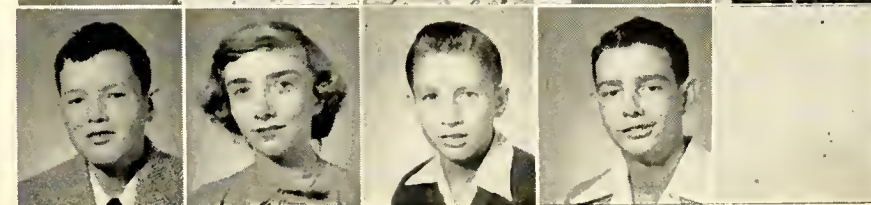
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Sell, Ilene Shaffer, Bonnie
Simons.



8th Row: Alice Slusher, Shar-
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Mary Ann Swearingen, Ver-
non Thieme.



9th Row: Douglas Thompson,
Cathleen Wolfson, Donald
Walters, Eddie Stocksdaile.





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1st Row: Bob Ailerson, Bruce Andress, Carol Baumgartner, Robert Black, Richard Black, Kenneth Boley.

2nd Row: Bob Brokaw, Betty Brunner, Norma Brunner, Jerry Carter, Richard Callow, Robert Clark.

3rd Row: William Clark, Allen Cole, Barbara Cole, Paul Conrad, Cletus Corey, Pat Courtney, Jerry Cowans, Donald Dale, Gladys Davidson.

4th Row: Barbara DeVore, Genevieve Draper, Richard Duff, Sheldon Egley, Beverly Elliott, Carol Elzey, Lowell Engle, Sharon Fisher, Shirley Fisher.

5th Row: Shirley Fuelling, Noma Gilbert, Carolyn Hakes, Gary Harvey, James Helm, Frances Hess, Rosemary Hetrick, Martin Hullinger, Carl Hurst.

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1st Row: Hubert Isch, Marilyn Jaberg, Carl Johnson, Carol Kalver, Sharon Kimble, Ferris Kohne, Kent Koons, Joan Kruse, Donna Ladd.

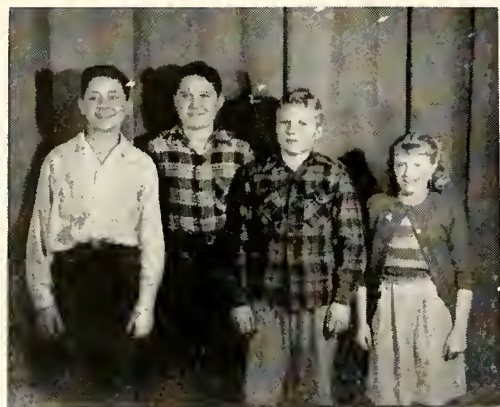
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4th Row: Ronald Secaur, Lloyd Stevens, Lois Strahm, Carolyn Strickler, Karen Strickler, Sunya Stuckey, Frank Sudduth, Shirley Sudduth, Thurman Sudduth.

5th Row: Lois Suman, Dan Thomas, Patty Treon, Norma Venis, Roberta Wolfe, Shirley Workinger, Leroy Yoder, Clarence Zimmerman, Robert Kiser.

GRADE



Class Officers: Left to right: Stewart McMillen, Treas.; Tony Custer, V. Pres.; Larry Hutker, Pres.; Delight Wagner, Sec.

1st Row: Tommy Adams, Dale Addy, Norma Agler, Max Ainsworth.

2nd Row: Paul Andrews, Donald Aurand, Nanna Aurand, Philip Baker, Robert Baker.

3rd Row: Barbara Black, Roger Blackburn, Carol Bowman, Lenore Brennan, Edna Bromer, Ruth Busse, Jim Carter, Jim Custer.

4th Row: Freddie Dellinger, Nina Dick, Teddy Douglas, Verlin Egly, Jim Engle, Janet Everhart, Kenneth Frank, Madeline Friend.

5th Row: Richard Gaskill, Willa Goelz, James Hakes, Jack Hart, Ruben Hess, Janet Hetrick, Robert Hoffman, Janet Hott.

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1st Row: Tom Hurst, Larry Hutker, Helen Johnson, Jean Kallenberger, Neil Keller, Jim Kingsley, Marilyn Kirchenbauer, Marvene Krick.

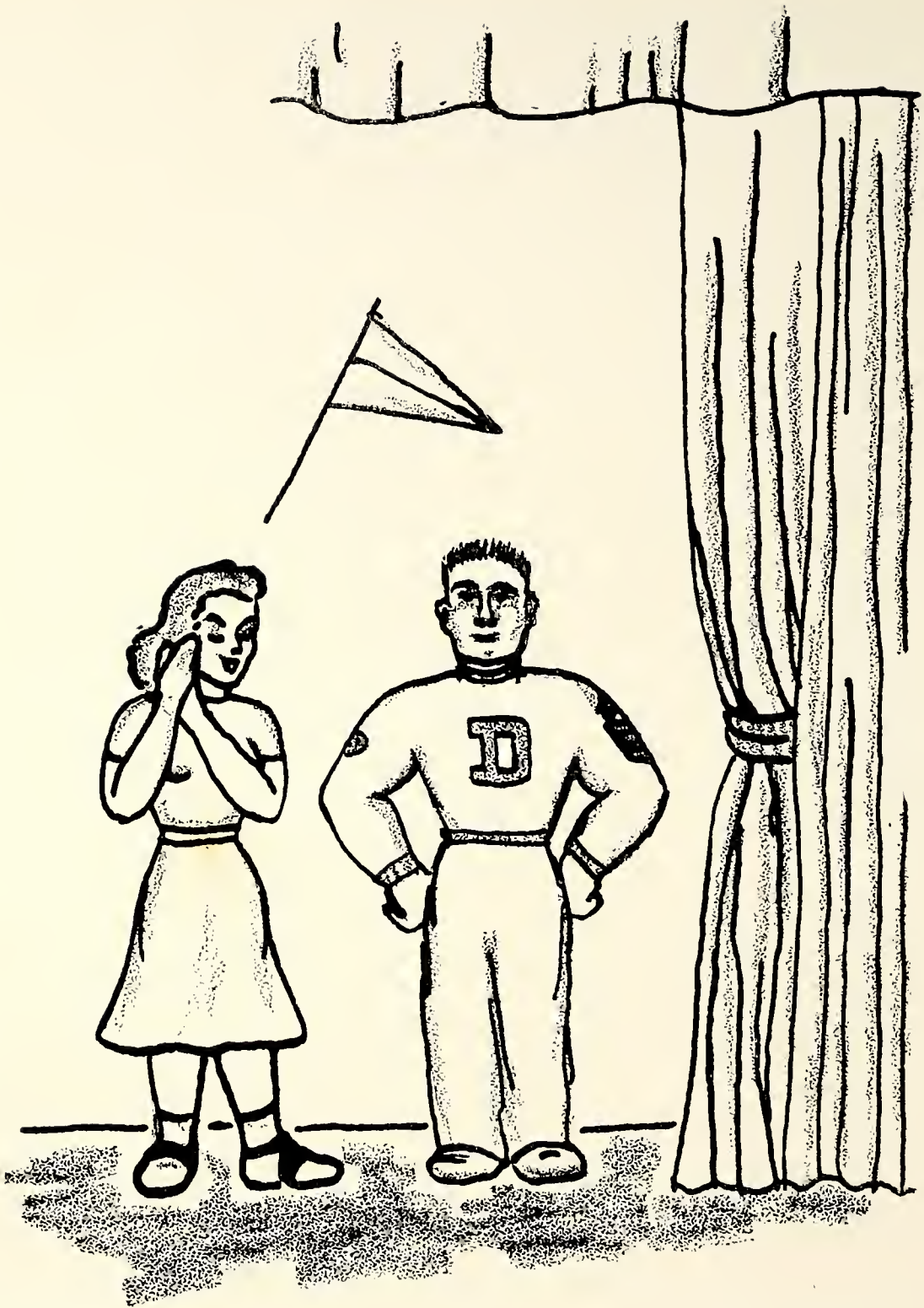
2nd Row: Philip Krick, Roger Krick, Audrey Ladd, Charna Lake, Don Lehman, William Lewis, Carolyn McDougal, Stewart McMillen.

3rd Row: Carolie Nelson, Jack Nelson, Harold Norris, Betty Osborn, Roger Pollock, Richard Rambo, Nora Ray, James Rowley.

4th Row: Carol Seitz, Donald Shaffer, Janelle Sheets, Gary Simons, Sammie Sipe, Janet Smith, Marlene Snyder, Byron Stitzer.

5th Row: Paul Swygart, Karen Syster, Larry Vizard, Delight Wagner, Bonnie Welker, Jerry Wheeler, Bonnie Whittenbarger, Delores Wolfe.

GRADE



SPORTS



ACTION!



Standing: David Blackburn, Douglas Thompson, Jerry Kolter, Harold Bohnke, Jim Bassett, Fred Isch, Fruchte, Jerry Gehrig, Robert McGill, Don MacLean, Ralph Bollinger, Tom Butler.
 2nd Row: Don Smith, Dick McConnell, Karl Peterson, Bob Smith, Neil Thomas, Dick Ogg, Dan Freeby,
 3rd Row: Bill Bell, Dwight Sheets, Tom Gaunt, Bob Lane, Gene Ziner, Allen Grote, Eddie Stocksdaile, Strickler, Norman Schieferstein.



COACHES

Left to Right

BOB WORTHMAN

HUBERT ZERKEL

DEANE DORWIN



John Doan, Dick Johnson, Delane Bowman, Larry Jennings, George Bair, Marvin Stucky, Roger Wilmer Grote, Kenny Grant, Marcus Foreman, Doyle Liby, Paul Busse, Max Myers, Sam Bogner, Curtis Jones, William Callow, Richard Reidenbach, Bob Lenhart, Bob Doan, Jack Petrie, Bob

FOOTBALL

The Yellow Jackets opened their '49 season playing Bluffton, their arch rival. It turned out to be quite a thriller with Bluffton gaining an edge in the opening minutes of the game and winning 6-0. The Jackets showed plenty of power and decided to use it in the next game against the powerful Auburn Red Devils. Auburn went into the game with a twenty-three game winning streak. The score was even at the half 0-0, but the Jackets came through in the third and fourth quarters to win 14-0.

With one victory under their belts the Jackets opened their home season giving Garrett a 31-0 defeat. The Jackets scored every quarter and twice in the fourth quarter. Quite a few of Decatur's subs saw action in this game. The victory was also witnessed by almost 1000 fans.

Still going strong, the Jackets traveled to Fort Wayne South Side stadium to meet

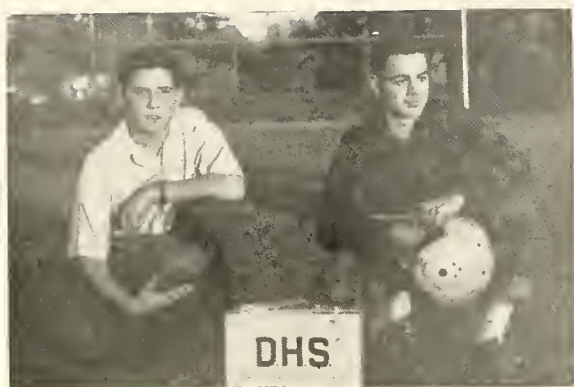
Concordia. Decatur proved the better though Concordia started a rally in the fourth quarter, fell short, and were defeated 19-13.

Still going strong, the Decatur Yellow Jackets came through with another victory by handing the Portland Panthers a 13-0 setback. Nearly 1,400 fans were present to see the Jackets come to life the second half after a scoreless first half.

The Decatur eleven came through again to defeat the New Haven Bulldogs 26-0. This was the third conference win for the Jackets against one defeat.

The Warsaw Tigers had all they could take care of when they came against the Yellow Jackets but proved to be on top that game by handing the Jackets a 20-6 defeat. This ended a five game winning streak for the Jackets.

Not able to get completely on their feet after the Warsaw defeat, the Jackets came



Managers: G. Odle and B. Smith

up against a team who was playing their best game of the season, Columbia City. Decatur just was not able to click, and the game ended with a 6-6 tie.

Determined to get back into the win column, the Jackets walloped the Hartford City Airedales 32-7. This was the highest score for the Jackets this season. They scored in

all but one quarter. The subs scored the last touchdown of the game.

The Decatur Yellow Jackets ended their football season for '49 by receiving a 32-0 defeat from Fort Wayne Central, but Central had to fight for every touchdown.

The Decatur squad ended a rather successful season with 6 wins, 3 defeats, and 1 tie. The Jackets scored 147 points while their opponents scored only 84. Five members of the team got recognition on the All-North Eastern Indiana Conference team. Kenny Grant and Sam Bogner were first team full back and right half, respectively; Doyle Liby, second team tackle; Dan Freeby and Don Smith honorable mention. Kenny Grant also received honorable mention on the all state football team. There were quite a few Seniors on this year's team, but some good prospects remain for next year. So from all the members graduating this year to the football team of 1950, "Good luck on a successful season!"



N. THOMAS



R. McCONNELL



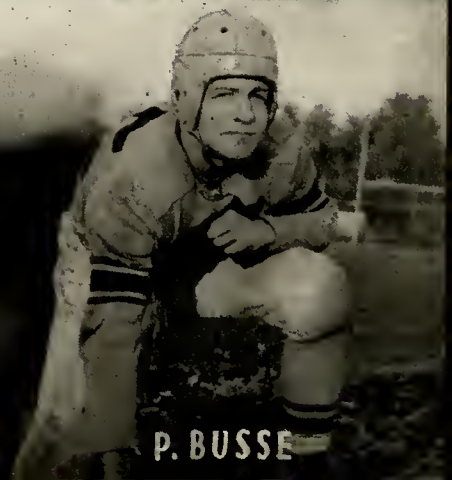
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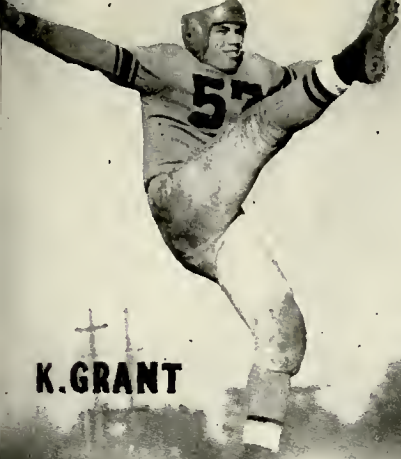
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K. GRANT



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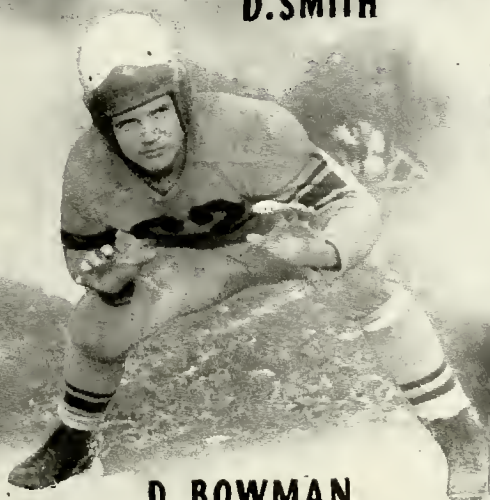
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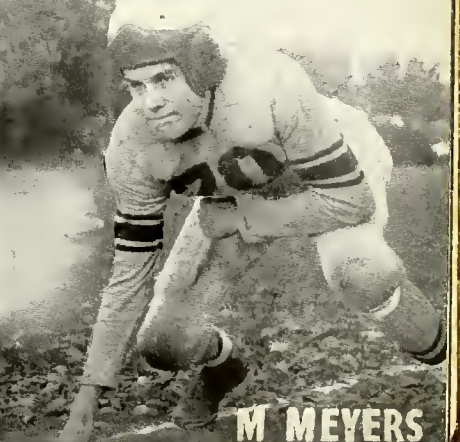
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K. DETERSON



R. SMITH



M. MEYERS



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 2nd Row: Dick McConnell, Dick Ogg, Kenny Grant, Doyle Liby, Don MacLean, Harold Bohnke, Vic Strickler, Neil Thomas, Sam Bogner, George Bair, Dan Freeby.
 Kneeling: Tom Cole, Bill Bell, Kenneth Everett, Tom Butler, Eddie Stocksdaile, Dick Reidenbach, Jim Moses, Norman Pollock, Norman Schieferstein.

BASKETBALL

Coaches

Deane Dorwin Bob Worthman



The Yellow Jackets Basketball team under the capable direction of Bob Worthman and Deane Dorwin started the '48-49 season with a close game in which they defeated the Geneva Cardinals in an overtime, 49-47. The Jackets had not been pressed in that game as was shown the next week when they lost a thriller to the Garrett Railroaders, 56-52. Though the Jackets had their ups and downs through the season, the fans and school were still behind them. One of the slumps in the season came just before Christmas when the Jackets lost three straight games. They did, however, snap out of it in time to win the New Year's tourney at New Haven for the second consecutive year. The Jackets went on, losing only a few games, to the end of the season in almost perfect form and ended the year by trouncing Portland 64-50.

The last week in February Decatur proved it was tops in the county by taking the sectional. The Jackets confirmed this by first defeating the '48 sectional champions, the Hartford Gorillas. In the semi-finals Decatur met the tough Kirkland Kangaroos. It looked like the last for the Yellow Jackets, but in the last two minutes they began to click and won easily. In the final game against Monroe, Jackets led all the way and were not once threatened.

The next week they traveled to Huntington for the Regional. Their opposition was the Lancaster Bobcats from the Bluffton Sectional. The game was close for the first few minutes, but then Lancaster hit a few easy ones and was soon off to the races. It was a heart breaker for the Yellow Jackets, who had very poor luck in hitting and were defeated, 53-41.

Eight of the first twelve men turned in their last performance in the Regional game. They were: Neil Thomas, Captain, Dan Freeby, Sam Bogner, Kenny Grant, Dick McConnell, Don MacLean, Dick Ogg, and Doyle Liby. The underclassmen who will carry on for the school are George Bair, Harold Bohnke, Vic Strickler, and Jerry Gehrig. From the seniors to the coaches and the team of '49-'50 season, we say, "Best of luck and a successful season."



Top Row: Neil Thomas, Vic Strickler, Dan Freeby. 2nd Row: Harold Bohnke, Sam Bogner, Kenny Grant.



Top Row: George Bair, Doyle Liby, Don MacLean.

2nd Row: Dick Ogg, Odell Foley, Grover Odle, Marvin Stucky, Dick McConnell.



Top Row: Roger Pollack, Phillip Krick, Robert Lobsiger, Ronnie Murphy, Bill Roe, Kent Koons, Ferris Kohne, Roger Blackburn, Donald Reinking, Tony Custer.
Bottom Row: Jerry Carter, Jim Engle, Donald Aurand, Robert Kiser, Eugene Morrison, Richard Duff, Paul Conrad, Bob Baker, Ronnie Secaur, Bob Brokaw.

JR. HIGH BASKETBALL



Coach—Sylvester L. Everhart

One of the most important stages in the career of an athlete is the beginning of his training. This period is handled very well by Coach Everhart. It is up to him to teach the Junior Jackets the fundamentals of good basketball and also the rules of sportsmanship.

The Junior Jackets won 10 and lost 8 games this year. Watch these boys, because some of them will be future varsity men.

The main contest of each season is the City Series between the Junior High and St. Joe. For the first time in three years, St. Joe won the Wembhoff Trophy, which is awarded to the winner. But the Junior Jackets just did not hand the trophy to St. Joe. No, they put on quite a battle as is shown in the scores of the three games. The first game St. Joe won, 22-20. The second game was really the battle, and the Junior Jackets won in a double overtime, 26-25. St. Joe won the third game by a score of 29-27.

The season record is as follows:

Junior	High	24	Convoy	20	Junior	High	22	Geneva	29
"	"	25	Hartford	23	"	"	12	Monmouth	13
"	"	26	Bluffton	23	"	"	17	Kirkland	25
"	"	18	Monmouth	23	"	"	26	St. Joe	25
"	"	33	Kirkland	16				Double Overtime	
"	"	23	Berne	18	"	"	10	Hartford	18
"	"	20	St. Joe	22	"	"	17	Hoagland	6
"	"	39	Hoagland	23	"	"	17	Bluffton	22
"	"	44	Debolt	6	"	"	43	Geneva	22
					"	"	27	St. Joe	29



When the first days of this year's baseball season appeared, the Yellow Jacket Baseball team, under the coaching of Deane Dorwin and his assistant, Bob Worthman, took to the field to better last year's record of 11 wins and 1 loss. Nine lettermen returned from last year's team. By the scores of the first six games, it looked as though the Jackets were on their way to set a record of wins for Decatur High.

This year, like the last two years, the Jackets have three conference games. Last year, after winning the first two conference tilts, they were beaten by Warsaw. But this year the boys

BASEBALL

are going to bring home the bacon to Decatur.

Of the first six games this year, the Jackets have won all of them by good margins. The following are the scores of these contests and the games yet to be played:

Yellow Jackets	4	Wren	1	
”	”	30	Convoy	0
”	”	5	Geneva	2
”	”	3	Ohio City	1
”	”	7	Dunkirk	1
”	”	14	Berne	2

"	"	May 3	Berne
"	"	May 6	Bluffton
"	"	May 11-12	Warsaw (Conference)
"	"	May 13	New Haven (Conference)
"	"	May 18	Bluffton (Conference)
"	"	May 21	Howe
"	"	May 25	Huntington



Coach: Deane T. Dorwin.

Top Row: Left to Right: Kenny Grant, Bob Lehrman, Neil Thomas, Vic Strickler, Harold Bohnke, Larry Jennings, Max Myers, Paul Busse, Dick Ogg.

Second Row: Ed Stocksdales, Roger Fruchte, Don Smith, Don Wefel, Lester Sautbine, Chalmer Plumley, Jerry Kolter, Bob Strickler.

Third Row: Ervin Ewell, Tom Butler, Ed Krueckeberg, Bill Bell, Norman Schieferstein, Norman Pollock, Jim Moses, Bob Gray, Ralph Busse, Bennie Butler.





Standing: Roger Johnson, John Thompson, Dan Mills, Norman Stingely, Herbert Kitson, Dick Winteregg, Bob Lehrman, Dick Hott, Dan Goelz.
Kneeling: David Cole, Clarence Cottrell, Carl Smitley, Jim Moses, Robert Sudduth.

CROSS COUNTRY

The 1948 cross-country team has come and gone, but with us it has left a very impressive record for such a new sport in D. H. S. Their 1948 record is as follows:

Victories

Garrett
Kendallville
Elmhurst
2nd in N. E. I. C. meet
4th in Sectional meet

Losses

North Side (Ft. Wayne)
South Side (Ft. Wayne)

Roger Johnson and Carl Smitley won 2nd and 3rd places, respectively, in the conference meet.

With such an impressive record Coach Harry Dailey should have little trouble in building another great cross-country team in 1949.

This year's letter-men were members of every high school class:

Seniors: Carl Smitley, Norman Stingely, and Bob Lehrman.

Juniors: Roger Johnson, John Thompson, David Cole, and Clarence Cottrell.

Sophomores: Dick Winteregg.

Freshmen: James Moses and Bob Sudduth.

Such a large group of returning letter-men should make Decatur the future N. E. I. C. and Conference Champions.

Here's wishing Coach Dailey and his 1949 team all the luck in the world in bringing home next year's championships.



Coach: Harry Dailey

AND TRACK

Plagued by the loss of Lettermen, the track team had to go through the process of rebuilding this year. Using the eight returning Letterman as a nucleus and the forty-five candidates to fill the many vacancies, the 1949 track team as formed. Before the basketball season was ended the track team was working out in the gym and by warm weather most of the boys were in mid-season form. The list of meets that have taken place so far this year is as follows:

Huntington and Concordia and Decatur	Second Place
Bluffton and Berne and Decatur	Second Place
Columbia City and Decatur	Second Place
Monmouth and Geneva and Decatur	First Place
Goshen Relays (twenty-nine teams)	Ninth Place

There are still four meets to be held this season, N.E.I.C., County meet, a four-way meet with the Fort Wayne Schools, and the Sectional meet. This year's returning lettermen were, Stingely, Smitley, Foreman, MacLean, Bogner, Mills, R. Johnson, and McConnell. Congratulations to Mr. Dailey and the track team on a successful season.

Top Row: left to right: Tom Gaunt, Marvin Stucky, Dave MacLean, Dick Hott, Dick Werling, Dick Winteregg, Kenneth Nash, John Doan, John Thompson, Dick Johnson, Ralph Bollinger, Karl Peterson.
 Second Row: Douglas Thompson, Bob Lane, Palmer Johnson, Jim Bassett, Jerry Gehrig, Bob Brennan, Fred Isch, Bob Lenhart, Bill Callow, Dave Cole, Bob Doan, Sam Gilbert.
 Third Row: Carl Smitley, Dan Mills, Roger Johnson, Marcus Foreman, Don MacLean, Sam Bogner, Norman Stingely, Dick McConnell.



1948-1949 SECTIONAL TOURNA- MENT



GIRLS' ATHLETICS

As we look into the athletic scene we come to the section on Girls' Sports. Under the able supervision of their instructor, Miss Walters, the girls are taken through the routine of calisthenics with her rhythmic 1-2-3-4, up-down, right-left.

The class has its brighter side with recreation afforded during the periods of the day.

Top Left: Front—Joan Lichtenstiger, Phyllis Lough, Pat Springer, Kristine Striker, Margene Bauer, Barbara Anspaugh, Sharon Hite, Joan VonGunten, Norma Johnson, Jean Mowery, Pat Karlen, Dora Brunnegraff, Ruth Fennig.

Top Right: Standing—Phyllis Reef, Carolyn Burnett, Kathryn Goldner, Colleen McConnell, Rosemary Schwartz.

Second Row: Ruth Morgan, Ruth Gaskill, Barbara Beehler, Anna Garner.

Lower Left: Standing—Mary Ann Owens, Jean Barber, Lois Werling, Sally Ahr.

Second Row—Margaret Harris, Harriet Gerber, Frances Morris, Carol Roeder.

Seated—Doris Krueckeberg, Donna Kirchenbauer, Saralyn Su Braden, Ann Deitsch.

Lower Right: Standing: Pauline Roth, Virginia Koenig, Pat Gause, Barbara Hilyard, Jackie Hite, Judy Myers, Elnora Gaunt.

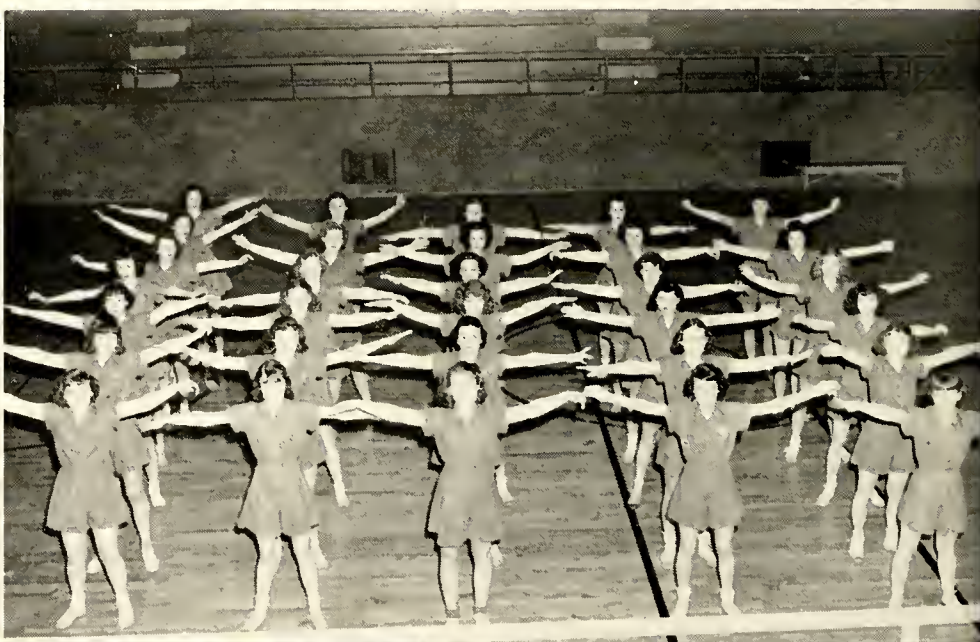
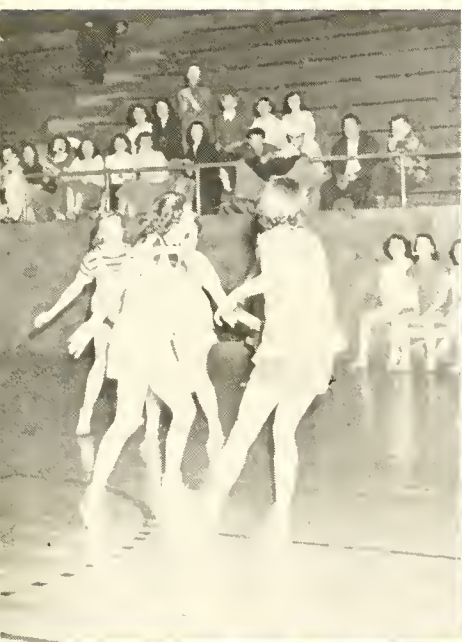
Kneeling—Alice Slusher, Delores Delauter, Caroline Alger, Marilyn Mauller, Eleanor Fisher, Mary Ann Swearingen.



Volley ball, kick ball, deck tennis, red-white and blue, and dodge ball are a few of the games enjoyed by the girls.

However, when basketball season rolls around, the girls put all else aside and take an active part in this sport. An intramural league was organized and games were played in the evenings two nights a week. As the basketball season drew to an end, a class tourney was organized with the juniors coming out as the victors, winning over the seniors in their first game, 19 to 21. In the finals, they won over the sophomores, 9 to 12.

With spring here, Miss Walters takes her classes out-of-doors to Worthman's Field where softball and tennis are played. Archery, a new activity in our school is also being enjoyed with much enthusiasm.



INTRAMURALS

Heavy Weights

Top Left: First Row—Bill Hutker, Ralph Smith, Bob Smith, Max Andrews.

Kneeling—Eddie Stocksdale, Ralph Bollinger, Neil Heshner.

Top Right First Row—Victor Porter, Dave MacLean, Odell Foley, Dick Johnson.

Seated—Jim Ahr, Don Wefel.

Center Left: Standing—Roger Johnson, Norman Kohne, Marcus Foreman.

Standing Front—Kenneth Everett, Chalmer Plumley.

Center Right: Standing—Karl Peterson, Norman Stingely, Dick Hott.

Kneeling—Don Smith, Clarence Cottrell, Charles Johnson.

Lower Left: Standing—Ralph Busse, Marvin Stucky, Herbert Kitson, Kenneth Nash

Kneeling—Gene Ziner, Byford Smith, Paul Busse.

Lower Right: Standing—Paul Busse, Herbert Kitson, Tony Nagel.

Kneeling—Merlin Lister, Bob Lehrman.



INTRAMURALS

Light Weights

Top Left: Standing—Norman Andrews, Benny Butler, Douglas Thompson, Carl Smitley.

Kneeling—Bob Doan, Norman Schieferstein.

Top Right: Standing—Sammy Gilbert, Palmer Johnson, Grover Odle, Ronnie Bassett, Richard Reidenbach.

Center Left: Standing—Bill Bell, Don Hott, Norman Pollock, Bob Lenhart, David Sheets.

Center Right: Standing—Curtis Jones, Burdette Custer, Bill Callow, Jackie McDonald.

Lower Left: First Row—Edward Marbach, John Doan, Roger Cole, John Thompson.

Front—Don Metzger, Merlin Johnston.

Lower Right: Back Row—Bob Brennan, Bud Sheets, Jim Bassett, Kaye Runyon.

Front—Donald Foor, John Brunner.



INTRAMURALS

Junior High

Top Left: Top Row—Thurman Sudduth, Leroy Yoder, James Rowley, Douglas Rambo.

Bottom Row—Donald Shaffer, Carl Johnson, Don Lehman.

Top Right: Top Row—Dick Callow, Bob Wolfe, Hubert Isch, Don Roop.

Bottom Row—Richard Rambo, Richard Gaskill.

Center Left: Top Row—Larry Vizard, Ronald Secaur, Bob Kiser.

Bottom Row—Roger McDonald, Carl Hurst.

Center Right: Don Aurand, Tony Custer, Gary Simons, Ronald Murphy, Dan Thomas, Bruce Address.

Bottom Left: Top Row—Larry Hutker, Roger Blackburn, Gary Harvey, Harold Norris.

Bottom Row—Jim Carter, Jerry Carter.

Bottom Right: Top Row—Verlin Egly, Bob Lobsiger, Roger Pollock.

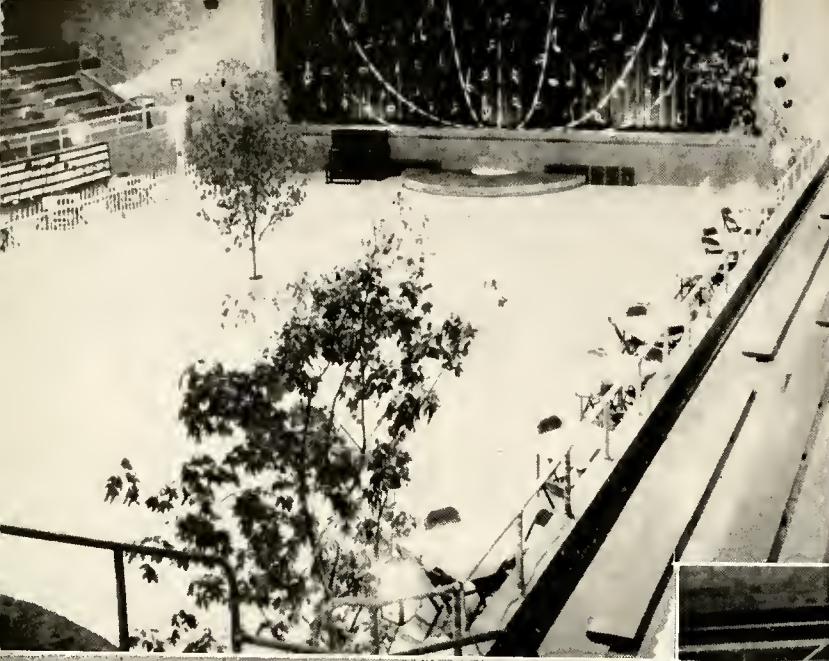
Bottom Row—Jim Kingsley, Byron Stitzer.



THE "PROM"

Junior-Senior Prom 1948

On May 14, 1948, the Juniors entertained the Seniors of 1948. The gymnasium was beautifully decorated in keeping with the theme of "Musical Mood." The entire Prom was enjoyed by all.



1. Senior girls.
2. Triplets?
3. Home-Ec. party
4. Kiddie Capers
5. Second team yell leaders
6. Howling Host dance.



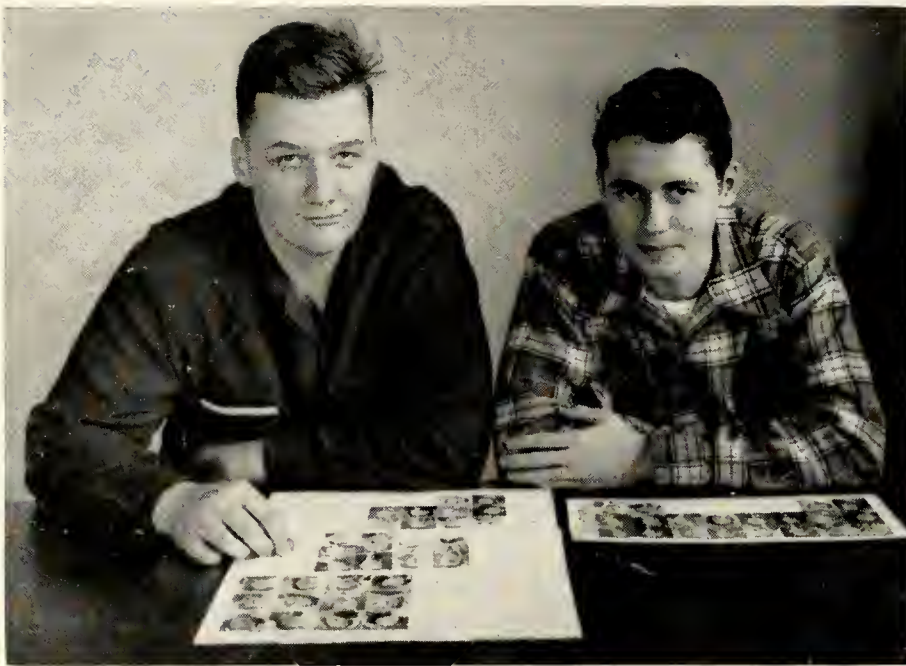


ACTIVITIES



Top Picture, Commercial Club officers, left to right—Barbara Anspaugh, President; Eileen Bieberich, Secretary; Ruth Fennig, Vice-president; Dick McConnell, Treasurer.
 Lower left, Howling Host officers, left to right—Jim Bassett, Treasurer; Bob Smith, President; Doyle Liby, Vice-president; DeLane Bowman, Secretary.
 Lower right, Pep Champs officers, left to right—Mary Ann Swearingen, Treasurer; Marilyn Hoblet, Secretary; Rosemary Schwartz, Vice-president; Sharon Hite, President.

CLUBS



Editor—Odell Foley. Asst. Editor—Marvin Stucky.

RAVELINGS

Lower Left: Asst. Art Editor—John Thompson, Art Editor—Kristine Striker, Copy Editors—Eileen Bieberich, Margene Bauer, Ruth Fennig.

Lower Right: Business Manager—Barbara Helm, Assistants—Gene Ziner, Frances Morris.





Advisors—Lowell Smith, Katherine Kauffman, Dale W. Ross.

STAFF

Lower Left: Girls' Sports Editor—Joan Lichtenstiger.
Boys' Sports Editor—Dan Freeby.
Assistant Boys' Sports Editor—John Doan.

Lower Right: Snapshot Editor—Byford Smith, Assistant—David Cole.
Photography Editor—Dave MacLean, Assistant—Barbara Beehler.



HOME ECONOMICS



Left Post Top: Olga Thieme, Edna Moyer, Shirley Mitchell, Elenora Gaunt, Sue Baughn, Delores Thieme, Irene Thieme, Winona Miller.
 Cross Bar: Nancy Krick, Pat Gause, Sally Ahr, Janet Ruck.
 Right Post Top: Pat Evans, Susan Bowman, Betty Lehman, Janet Seitz, Nira Miller, Sharon Strickler, Wauneta Zimmerman, Delores Delauter.
 Top Down: Judy McKean, Amy Lou Reynolds, Margie McGill, Betty Johnson, Jean Ann Potts, Grace Call, Esther Bleeke.
 Top Right: Marilyn Van Hoin, Waunetta Weldy, Sally Smith, Alice Hawkins.
 Center: Virginia Koenig, Mary Ann Owens.
 Lower Right: Gloria Duff, Marilyn Garner, Alice Slusher.

The Home Economics Club was reorganized at the beginning of the school year and the officers were elected.

The first activity of the club was to sell hot dogs, popcorn, pop, and coffee to the football fans on those chilly nights at Worthman Field.

Several banquets were well prepared and served by the energetic members.

The annual assembly program was an interesting and entertaining concert by an outstanding marimba player, James Dutton.

The Home Ec. girls were kept busy learning the various tasks of home-making. During the year the various classes consisted of planning, preparing, and serving meals; selecting, making, and caring for clothing; furnishing the home; understanding young children; and managing time, energy, and money in the home.

The activities and projects could not possibly have become completed without the helping hand of Mrs. Lust.



Officers: (left to right)—Pat Gause, Sally Ahr, Janet Ruck, Nancy Krick.

COLOR WHEEL

Last fall the art class of 36 members organized the "Color Wheel Club," under the supervision of Miss Kauffman.

As usual the art class is busy all year. Starting with the Christmas program, the class did their share of the work. The repairing of the large stained glass window made by the art class a few years ago, was the next project. Then, the group decorated two of the school windows with Christmas flowers—huge poinsettias.

For the sectional the class painted a sign for each school participating in the tourney, showing school colors and emblems.

A Spring Square Dance was given by the Art Club and Glee Club for the members and the guests. The dance was in the Gym and refreshments were served later in the evening.

The last project of the class was making stage settings for the Operetta, "The Golden Trail."

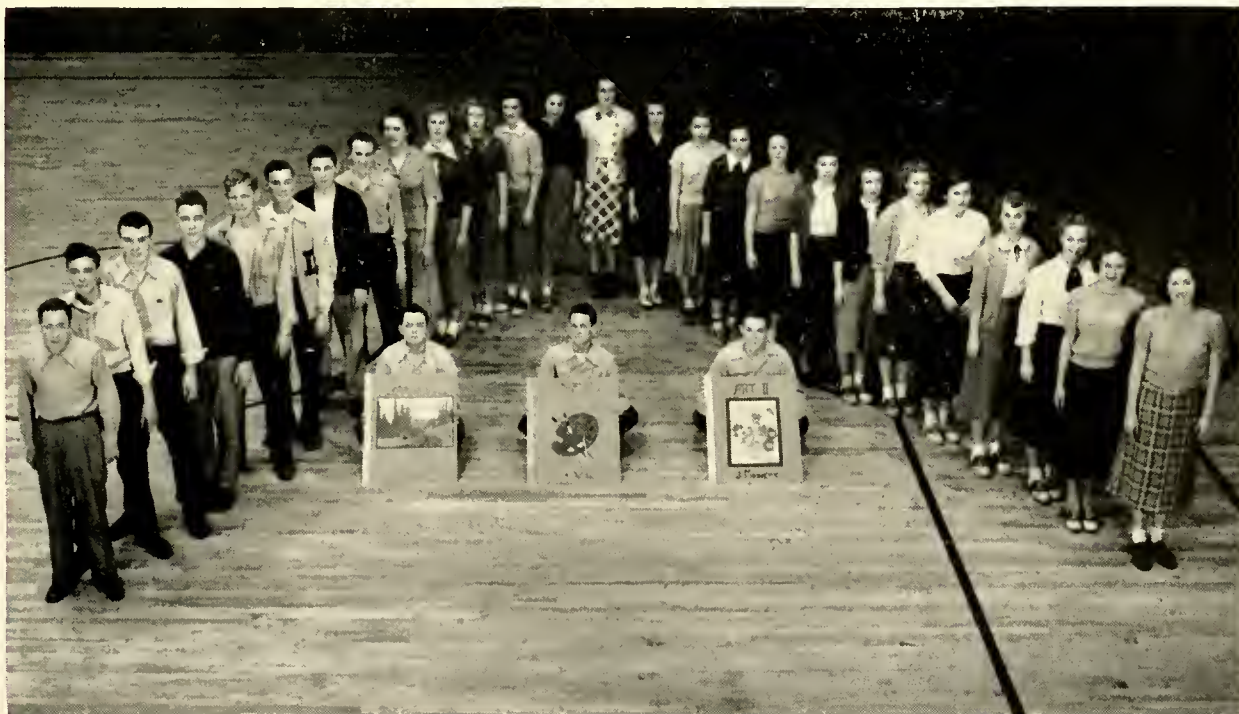
The year proved to be interesting and exciting for all the students.



Officers: Top, Sheldon Daniels, Pres., Ralph Smith, Vice Pres., Dick Ogg, Sec'y-Treas.

Standing: Left to right—Carl Smitley, Willis Brock, Doyle Liby, Roger Borne, Max Gilpin, Robert Lehman, Don Wefel, Gene Rennels, Eleanor Goelz, Joan Lichtenstiger, Jean Mowery, Sharon Hite, Norma Johnson, Lois Troutner, Dorothy Welker, Alice Fisher, Patsy Springer, Kristine Striker, Mary Catherine Schaffer, Marilyn Garner, Alice Hawkins, Joan Death, Leona Thieme, Colleen Lehman, Joan Von Gunten, Joan Carter.

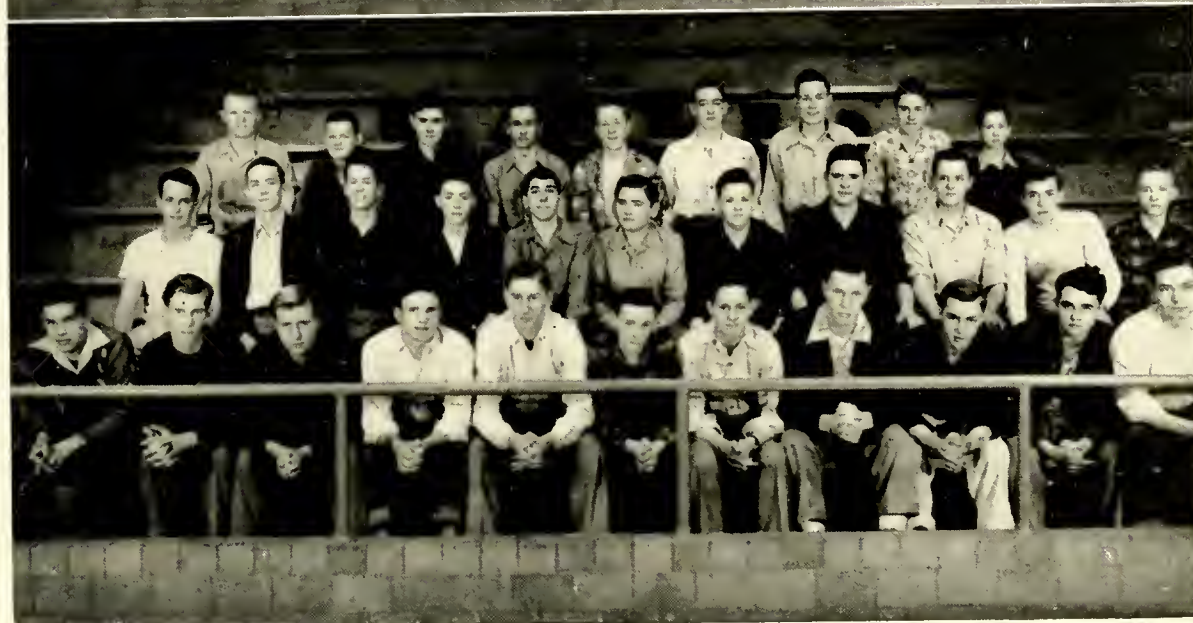
Kneeling: Ralph Smith, Sheldon Daniels, Dick Ogg.





Top Picture: Top Row: Byford Smith, Bud Sheets, Edgar Swaggert, Dick Ogg, Bob Lehrman, Roger Borne, Doyle Liby, Wilmer Grote, Carl Smitley, Willis Brock, Dave MacLean.
Center Row: John Frank, Leroy Walters, Grover Odle, Herbert Kitson, Max Andrews, Paul Busse, Larry Jennings, Dwight Sheets, Leo Sheets, Bob Strickler.
Bottom Row: Don MacLean, Marcus Foreman, Don Wetel, Sam Bogner, Dick McConnell, Neil Thomas, Kenny Grant, Norman Stingely, Odell Foley, M. Krueckeberg.
Bottom Picture: Top Row: David Blackburn, Fred Evans, Muris Gray, Jim Nelson, Norman Andrews, Luther Shrock, Edgar Gilbert, Bob Brennan, Ray Brown.
Center Row: Charles Johnson, Roger Cole, Dick Reidenbach, Dick Hott, Bill Bell, Burdette Custer, Kenneth Everett, Norman Pollock, Erwin Ewell, Jim Houser, David Sheets.
Bottom Row: Victor Porter, Neil Heshner, Bruce Macy, Kenneth Strahm, Fred Isch, Gene Rennels, Sheldon Daniels, Max Gilpin, Karl Peterson.

HOWLING



Top Picture, Top Row: Jerry Kolter, Tom Butler, Allan Grote, Eddie Stocksdales, Ronald Price, Jerry Lister, Jack McDonald, Fred Peck, Bob Gray, Norman Schieferstein.
 Second Row—Norman Kohne, Ned Meyers, Merlin Johnston, Jim Ahr, Edward Marbach, Don Metzger, Roger Fruchte, Ralph Busse, Ed Krueckeberg, Tom Cole.
 Third Row: David Cole, Richard Werling, Chalmer Plumley, Don Smith, Dick Hott, Tom Gaunt, Roger Johnson, Clarence Cottrell, Dick Johnson, Jerry Gehrig, Marvin Stucky.
 Bottom Picture, Top Row: George Bair, Douglas Thompson, David Owens, Bill Kocher, Floyd McBride, Ralph Bollinger, Kenneth Nash, Don DeArmond, Don Walters.
 Second Row: Tony Nagel, John Thompson, John Doan, Gene Ziner, Bill Callow, Jim Lake, Bob Prihble, Bob Stults, Ralph Smith, Jim Fisher, Bob Doan.
 Third Row: Leonard Egly, Merlin Lister, Bob McGill, DeLane Bowman, Dan Mills, Lester Sautbine, Jim Bassett, Harold Bohnke, Bill Hutker, Dave Zimmerman, Bob Smith.

HOSTS

PEP

Top Picture, Top Row—Bonnie Baumgartner, Joan Death, Norma Johnson, Jean Mowery, Joan Lichtenstiger, Ruth Fennig, Alice Hawkins, Marilyn Garner.
 Second Row: Barbara Sautter, Sally Smith, Joanne Carter, Eileen Bieberich, Mary Catherine Schaffer, Dorothy Dersch, Elizabeth Hersch, Evelyn Bleeke, Bonnie Ailerson, Betty Johnson, Jean Potts.
 Third Row: Sharon Hite, Margene Bauer, Barbara Anspaugh, Dora Brunnegraff, Joan VonGunten, Sarah Krick, Barbara Helm, Kristine Striker, Nancy Krick, Pat Karlen, Lois Metzger.
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 Second Row: Mary Ann Swearingen, Jackie Hite, Sally Ahr, Pat Gause, Bonnie Simons, Marilyn Mauller, Barbara Hilyard, Gloria Duff, Phyllis Reef, Judy McKean, Leah Andrews.
 Third Row: Carolyn Burnett, Phyllis Kohler, Rosemary Schwartz, Jane Brumley, Colleen McConnell, Barbara Beehler, Anna Garner, Colleen Lehman, Barbara Sauer, Norma Brown, Arlene Dersch.



CHAMPS

Top Picture, Top Row: Eleanor Gaunt, Shirley Drake, Pauline Roth, Louise Johnson, Betty Rose, Marilyn Vanhorn, Ruth Morgan, Eloise Feasel, Nira Miller, Rheta Butcher.
 Second Row: Carol Klusman, Caroline Alger, Marjorie McGill, Virginia Koenig, Alice Slusher, Alice Addy, Doris Draper, Illene Shaffer, Dorothy Welker, Lois Troutner, Eleanor Goelz.
 Third Row: Delores Houser, Delores Delauter, Betty Anderson, Susan Bowman, Alice Gunder, Sue Baughn, Shirley Ray, Wauneta Zimmerman, Vera Krick, Eleanor Fisher, Judy Myers.
 Bottom Picture, Top Row: Margaret Harris, Helen Mowery, Diana Linn, Doris Krueckeberg, Harriet Gerber, Saralyn Su Braden.
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 Third Row: Janet Setiz, Shirley Mitchell, Pauline Lobsiger, Evelyn Rash, Jean Barber, Sunya Robinson, Jane Barber, Frances Morris, Ann Deitsch, Marjorielu Hill, Amy Lou Reynolds.



GOLDEN TRAIL

1. The Rescue of Charlie
2. The Square Dance
3. The Prim Little Maids
4. Eileen Bieberich and the Quartette



GOLDEN TRAIL

1. Entering the Golden Trail Hotel
2. The Tango Dance
3. The Finale
4. The Birthday Party





Top Row: Barbara Sautter, Arlene Dersch, Leona Thieme, Pat Karlen, Ruth Fennig, Norman Stingely, Neil Thomas, Don MacLean, Sheldon Daniels, Marvin Stucky, Dan Mills.
 Second Row: Carolyn Burnett, Jane Brumley, Joanne Carter, Barbara Helm, John Thompson, Bill Hutker, Sam Bogner, Marcus Foreman, Kenny Grant, Bob Smith, Dan Freeby.
 Third Row: Sue Baughn, John Doan, Gene Ziner, David Cole, Roger Johnson, Victor Porter, Ralph Smith.
 Fourth Row: Alice Langston, Sharon Hite, Kathryn Goldner, Colleen McConnell, Bill Kocher, Wilford Norris, David Zimmerman, Dick McConnell, Kaye Runyon, Den Smith.
 Fifth Row: Margene Bauer, Barbara Beehler, Marilyn Garner, Phyllis Lough, Jean Mowery, Bonnie Baumgartner, Norma Johnson, Betty Rose, Joan Death, Nancy Krick.

Accompanist, Eileen Bieberich; Director, Helen Haubold.



After preliminary tryouts seventy students were accepted for the High School Choir. The choir is under the able direction of Miss Helen Haubold with Eileen Bieberich accompanist.

The following officers were elected: Kenneth Grant, president; Kristine Striker, vice-president; Norman Stingely, secretary; and Barbara Helm, treasurer.

The first appearance of the choir was the fall concert in November. Following this, we furnished the music for the Christmas program.



DECATUR HIGH SCHOOL CHOIR

Top Row: Herbert Kitson, Sally Smith, Lois Metzger, Rosemary Schwartz, Colleen Lehman.
Second Row: Dora Brunegraff, Joan Lichtenstiger.
Third Row: Don Wefel, Alice Hawkins, Lois Troutner, Dorothy Welker.
Fourth Row: Byford Smith, Gene Rennels, Joan Von-Gunten, Barbara Sauer, Sarah Krick.
Fifth Row: Wauneta Zimmerman, Kristine Striker, Barbara Anspaugh, Annabelle Roop.

Kristine Striker, vice-president; Barbara Helm, treasurer; Kenneth Grant, president; Norman Stingely, secretary.

Sixteen senior members represented Decatur in the All-District Chorus at the Northeastern Indiana Teacher's Convention. The choir's spring presentation was the operetta, "The Golden Trail."

The final activities were singing for Baccalaureate and Commencement.



D. H. S.



Band Officers: Standing: Kathryn Goldner, Vice President, Phyllis Kohler, Secretary-Treasurer, Sitting: Don Smith, President, Bob Doan, Sergeant-at-arms.

November 3, as everyone around D. H. S. knows, is the birthday of our talented band director, Albert Sellemeyer. He has been our leader for 16 years. His birthday is celebrated annually by the band members. Although he acts surprised, we know it's all an act.

The band supper or "Sell's Banquet" is one of the most anticipated events of the year to the band members and students who take band lessons. The food is wonderful!

Bob Doan is our capable and hard-working sergeant-at-arms. He is always there to tell you your shoes are the wrong color or ask you where your black stockings are. He also checks attendance very carefully.

The band in full uniform has been participating in a number of activities this past year. They started with the Bluffton Street Fair; then followed the Calithumpian Parade,

Top Row: Margaret Harris, Dora Brunnegraff, Colleen McConnell, Carolyn Burnett, Luther Schrock.

Middle Row: Sharlene Lehman, Mary Ann Owens, Shirley Fuelling, Marilyn Jaberg, Anna Jane Garner, Barbara Beehler, Rosemary Schwartz.

Bottom Row: Rosemary Hetrick, Gaynel Lankenau, Dan Thomas, Jean Potts, Kristine Striker, Barbara Anspaugh.

Mr. Sellemeyer, Director



BAND

political rallies, basketball games, football games, and the Sectional and the Regional Tournaments. The band also marched in the Sectional Victory parade, but they didn't play; the valves and slide instruments froze, and it was impossible to use them. We also gave a concert for an assembly program every year. The band is not idle during the summer, for they present weekly outdoor concerts.

We must not forget our three majorettes, Colleen Lehman, majorette; Carol Baumgardner, and Pat Treon, twirlers. In their attractive uniforms they have performed at basketball games and tournaments.

During the entire year the band sponsored several dances for band members only and others for all students of D. H. S.

Twenty-two members of the band form the Drum Corps which gives excellent marching performances at football and basketball games and at the Sectional Tournament.

Last but not least are the band officers. Don Smith, president; Katherine Goldner, vice-president; Phyllis Kohler, secretary and treasurer; and Bob Doan, sergeant-at-arms.

Top Row: Dick Johnson, Bruce Macey, David Owens, Kenneth Nash, Bob Smith, Harriet Gerber, Marilyn Hoblet.

Middle Row: Carol Elzey, Ronald Murphy, Colleen Lehman, Don Smith, Bob Doan, Jack Lawson, Jackie Hite, Francis Morris, Ann Deitsch, Helen Mowery.

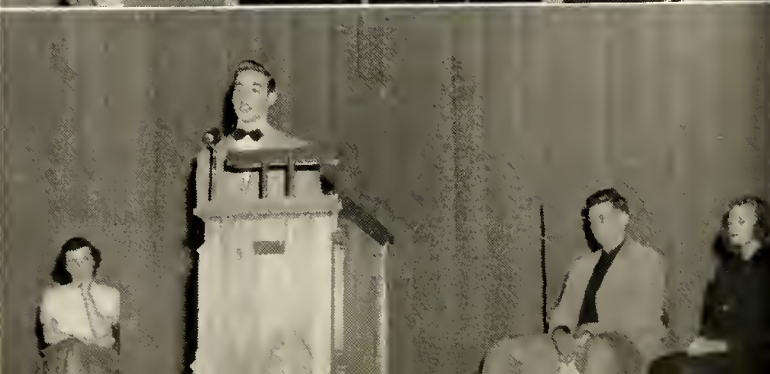
Bottom Row: Carol Baumgartner, Pat Treon, Margene Bauer, Sally Ahr, Donna Kirchenbauer, Evelyn Rash, Mary Ann Swearingen, Doris Krueckeberg.



SPEECH ACTIVITIES

This year's speech class has several interesting speech projects through which they gained experience and brought honors to our school. The first was the participation in the "Junior Town Meeting" sponsored by radio station WOWO. Taking part in this program were Dora Brunnegraff, Robert Hansel with other class members as questioners. The second was the "City Desk" aired over radio station WKJG. Participating were Sarah Krick, Colleen McConnell, Norman Stingely, Marcus Foreman and Odell Foley in this news discussion program. Later, four students: Barbara Helm, Marcus Foreman, Sam Bogner, and Odell Foley gave a discussion on "World Peace" before the P.T.A. at the Lincoln School.

Each year Decatur is able to have some students excell in speech work. This year there were two. Colleen McConnell, after eliminating Marcus Foreman, Odell Foley, and Alice Langston in the high school contest, went on to win the county American Legion Oratorical Contest and was not defeated until she had gone to the district finals. Marcus Foreman showed that he was adept to Mr. Dorwin's teaching in that he won the local Rotary Speech Contest and went to Berne to win again in the Group F finals. Marcus went to the district finals at LaPorte on April 30 and gave D.H.S. excellent representation.





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Second (C), top to bottom: Jerry Gehrig, Roger Johnson, Dick Johnson, Rosemary Schwartz, Anna Garner, Colleen Lehman, Joan Death, Bonnie Baumgartner, Barbara Helm, Ruth Morgan, Alice Langston, Vera Krick, Alice Hawkins, Marilyn Garner, Alice Fisher, Sue Baughn, Dick McConnell.

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COMMERCIAL CLUB

The Commercial Club began its annual activities shortly after Christmas. In February they sponsored an assembly program, "The Vagabonds." The club also issued *The Gabfest* and accomplished a new system of setting-up the various articles. They enjoyed a party on March 25th with refreshments and dancing. These are only a few of the activities which we have been able to accomplish through the guidance of our sponsor, Mr. Hetrick.



CHRISTMAS PROGRAM



CHICAGO TRIP

Top Left: The group waiting to go into the Field museum.

Top Right: The dignitaries.

Center Left: Marilyn and Byford leaning on the sights of Chicago.

Center Right: A scene from the railroad pageant.

Lower Left: Ha, ha!

Lower Right: Skyline of Chicago.



ASSEMBLY

This year at Decatur High School we have had some very interesting assembly programs including Red



SNAPS

Grange, the famous football player, plays, musicals, and also a very interesting ceramic's demonstration.



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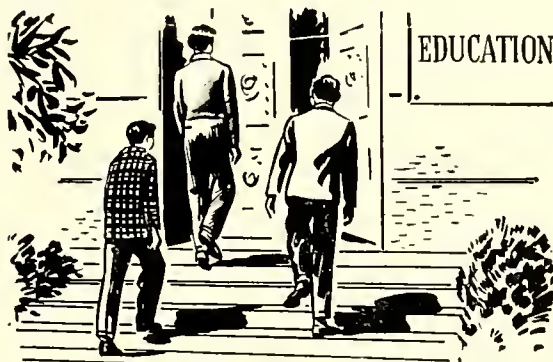


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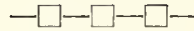
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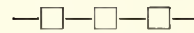
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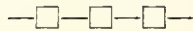
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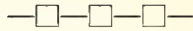
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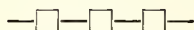
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